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Art Unit 2877					
Applicant(s): Kazuhisa Nojima					
Invention: VISUAL INSPECTION APPARATUS					
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b> Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.